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Subject: FW: P/26/0068 - resurface the uplift track at Bike Park Wales
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Attachments: [P260068_ROWS.pdf](#)

Hi both

Please can the email and attachment be uploaded as a conspa from rights of way.

Many thanks

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From: Jones, Beth (Rights of Way) <Beth.Jones@merthyr.gov.uk>
Sent: 01 June 2026 09:56
To: Glover, Kate <Kate.Glover@merthyr.gov.uk>; Cross, David <David.Cross@merthyr.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: P/26/0068 - resurface the uplift track at Bike Park Wales

Hi Kate/David

Thank you for consulting us on the above application. I have attached a plan for you showing the rights of way affecting the application.

From a Public Rights of Way perspective, we would offer the following comments:

1. Crossings of Public Rights of Way

If there are existing routes crossing the uplift track, it will be important to ensure these remain safe, accessible and convenient for all users. We would expect:

- Any crossings to be designed so that they are **flush and level**, avoiding steps or abrupt level changes between surfaces.
- Gradients to be appropriate for all users, including walkers, cyclists and equestrians where applicable.
- The crossing points to be clearly identifiable on site, with suitable visibility in both directions.
- Consideration of appropriate surfacing at the crossing itself to reduce slipping hazards and maintain continuity of the PROW.

Overall, the development should not introduce barriers or hazards to lawful users of the routes.

2. Tarmacking of the Bridleway (Top Section)

Tarmac is not typically considered an appropriate surface for bridleways, especially in this type of rural/recreational setting. Could you advise on the approximate extent (length) of the bridleway that would be affected?

If possible, consideration could be given to a more sympathetic finish to accommodate equestrian use.

3. Other PROW Considerations

We would recommend the following matters are addressed:

- **No obstruction** of PROW during or after construction, unless authorised by formal order.
- Any temporary closures or diversions must be agreed with the Rights of Way team in advance.

- All PROW signage, waymarking and furniture affected by the works should be protected or reinstated.
- Surface water from the track should not be directed onto PROW, as this can cause damage and usability issues.

4. Informative / Advice to Applicant

We recommend including an informative advising the applicant to:

- Contact the **Rights of Way team** prior to commencement of works where they may affect PROW.
- Ensure compliance with duties under the **Highways Act 1980**, particularly in relation to obstruction and protection of public rights of way.

I trust the above is helpful, but please let me know if you'd like to discuss anything further.

Kind regards,

Beth